# **TECHNICAL BULLETIN**



Main Bearing Cap Bolts – Reuse Twice – Conditions

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MODEL 1988-94 MY Sedan (3.6L & 4.0L) DATE 11/97 1993-96 XJS (4.0L)

# **ISSUE**:

It is now Jaguar Cars policy that the crankshaft main bearing cap bolts of AJ16 and AJ6 engines should be reused **twice** in service, during repair operations involving removal of the main bearing cap bolts.

To be able to identify the number of times a bolt has been reinstalled, it is **mandatory** that bolts are marked as detailed below.

# ACTION:

After reinstalling and fully tightening any main bearing cap bolt (EXCEPT where a NEW bolt has been installed), mark the bolt head with **ONE** punch mark, **using an AUTOMATIC center-punch**.

A second removal and reinstallation is permissible. A bolt showing one punch mark may be reinstalled, **and marked with a second punch mark**.

When removing a bolt already marked with two punch marks, it **MUST** be discarded.

Any bolt showing obvious signs of damage must be replaced.

## PARTS INFORMATION:

DESCRIPTION	PART NUMBER	<u>QTY</u>
Bolt, main bearing cap	EAC 4119	A/R

### WARRANTY POLICY:

Claims for bolt replacement will not be honored unless the bolts have already been re-used twice.

#### WARRANTY INFORMATION:

The above has no effect on Repair OperationTimes.